

Klu Klux Klan - 1935

NOTICE TO KLANSMEN AND FRIENDS

Dr. Phillips of Atlanta, a National Lecturer, will deliver an address on what the

KNIGHTS of the KU KLUX KLAN

Stands for Sunday at 3 P.M.

At the County Court House, Montgomery, Ala.

EVERYBODY INVITED
OUTMODED KU KLUXISM

A Ku Klux meeting at the Montgomery county courthouse in 1935 seems strangely out of place.

People in such a time as this are not in need of the services that the drill sergeants of hatred can perform.

What the people need is wholesome inspiration.

They need ideas to improve the lot of all, not of a favored class.

The stupidity of the ox and the stupidity of a Ku Kluxer in 1935 are on a par.

A decent regard for the proprieties would have spared Governor-elect Graves the embarrassment of having to read about a Ku Klux meeting in Montgomery at this of all times.

NEGRO HELD BY
MASKED BAND

Liquor Charge Preferred
By Hooded Crew Is

Refused By Jury

A Negro arrested on a liquor charge by a hooded mob of which a Birmingham policeman is said to have been a member, was acquitted in Circuit Judge Fritz Thompson's court today.

It required a jury 15 minutes to reverse the decision of Recorder's Court holding James Louis Drake, 30-year-old Negro, of near Lewisburg, guilty of transporting liquor.

A. E. Campbell, of 1901 Stouts Grove, testified he was one of 15 men, hooded and riding in automobiles, who took Drake in custody on Nov. 23.

He asserted the party found 30 gallons of liquor in the Negro's car. Drake denied knowledge of the liquor.

"We went and got two officers," Campbell said, "and turned the Negro over to them. The officers

were H. G. McNeal and E. L. Marshall.

Chief of Police Luther Hollum said that Officer T. E. Lindsey, once suspended for an unauthorized raid on a Negro's home near Gardendale, has admitted he was a member of the mob arresting Drake.

Chief Hollum said Lindsey was employed as a policeman subsequent to this incident and that his participation in it was revealed after he became an officer.

"I do not sanction arrests by hooded mobs," Chief Hollum said.

"Any citizen has the right to make an arrest when he sees a felony or misdemeanor being committed," Public Safety Commissioner W. O. Downs said.

Down In Dixie

Where A Man's Got To Do What He's Told Or Else

By WILLIAM W. ELLISON

PHENIX CITY, Ala.—With brutal beating of Race members by the Ku Klux Klan and night riding gangs on rampage throughout Russell County nightly without molestation from constituted authorities, long suffering citizens have come to the conclusion a loaded revolver is their best means of protection and, as such, are rapidly taking steps to safeguard their homes and families.

Reflections from "fiery crosses" burned in thickly populated Race quarters may be observed almost any night as white robed figures stalk solemnly about in the crimson glare of a "warning" burned for some innocent offender's benefit. This demonstration is invariably followed by flogging the person under surveillance.

Rumors are flying thick and fast here. Every morning little knots of citizens gather to converse cautiously of the previous night's activities. Race members maintain tight-lipped silence. They refrain from taking part in any of these discussions usually held by white people for the Klan will make it a point to call and pay its respects.

Sifting stories for their authenticity has, therefore, become a rather complicated matter for this correspondent because of the wall of silence that rears up around these night riding operations. Police, too, are reticent, and if their sympathy is not altogether with the Ku Klux Klan, then they are slow to sense the seriousness of the situation, for nothing apparently is being done to curb the wave of beatings given a list of victims that is continually increasing.

GIRL WHIPPED
WITH BELT

A current report deals with the burning of a cross in front of the home of a Race girl in the "Sugartown" section of Phenix City. Several nights later there was a rap on her door. Responding, the girl came to the door, was seized, dragged down the steps and thrown into an awaiting automobile by several hooded men who drove away. When the girl did not return the next day, neighbors became alarmed and notified police.

Next morning about daybreak a mysterious car drove up to a curb in a white residential section,

invaders and boomed out a little speech.

"Listen here, you niggers, all of you," the K.K.K. leader shouted. "there's a few things I want to tell you right now. You all know what we are doing here tonight. We're down here on business. There's been too many complaints from white folks about how you damn niggers is been cuttin' the fool and it's got to stop—got to stop right now, or else!"

"This cross is being burned here tonight," he continued, "for a little warning to each and every one of you. There's been too much cussin' when white folks was walking down the streets of this heah quarter; too much liquor drinkin', fightin', and hell raising in general. It's got to stop. It's got to stop I tell you, and right now, too."

"Now we don't wanna hafta come back down heah," he concluded, "cause if we do, we gonna take about a dozen of you goddam niggers out in the woods and flog the hell outtin' you. You all done heard me so mind your p's and q's or get ready to take some durned bad medicine!"

The sidewalk and cruised leisurely. Faces were pressed against every window pane when the examination revealed her condition as serious from a terrific beat-Klansmen drove away with the same quietness that characterized their arrival.

THE SOLUTION
TO THE PROBLEM

Ten years ago when the K.K.K. was at the height of its power in this section, lawlessness on the part of members was occurring nightly as it is today. A poor farmer was aroused from sleep and dragged from his home into a swamp and beaten for no announced reason.

Relatives of the victim learned of the fate of their kinsman a few minutes after he was taken away. Arming themselves, they followed. While the flogging was in progress, two shotguns thundered from thick clumps of bushes. Shots rained into the midst of the hoodlums and two members fell dead. The beating stopped abruptly and Klansmen, displaying their cowardice, turned tail and made remarkable use of their running ability.

The Columbus, Ga., Enquirer-Sun, a daily newspaper published just across the river, was then conducting a vigorous campaign against the Klan. Despite threats to kill him and dynamite his newspaper plant, Julian LaRose Harris, white violators guilty of serious lawbreaking elsewhere in the community go their way undisturbed with complete immunity.

and finally was largely responsible for breaking the back of the K.K.K. organization in this section. For his courageous crusade in a nest of hostile members, this brave editor was, in 1924, awarded the Pulitzer prize for the year's most meritorious editorial achievement. Now, ten years later, the same paper under new management, resumes the same fight against the organization which is showing such

"STOP CUTTIN"

THE FOOL"

Shortly before midnight, several nights ago, a dozen cars of Ku Klux Klansmen drove into "Stillwell's Quarters." Robed occupants alighted. A large cross was produced and set afire. As flames illuminated the surroundings, a tall figure stepped into the circle of sheeted

alarming signs of revival. The following timely editorial appeared in the columns of the Enquirer-Sun:

"NIGHT RIDERS AGAIN,"

AN EDITORIAL

"A Virginia street citizen was treated at city hospital for contusions said to have resulted from a beating at the hands of night riders at a point about three miles from Columbus on the Buena Vista road.

"Six men were in the party, said, and they used a belt with which to beat him. They were unmasked. One of the men is asserted to have posed as a police officer to get the victim out of his home.

"Posing as a police officer is itself a serious offense in the eyes of the law; invasion of a man's home is another; removal of a citizen from his home a third; beating him is a fourth. It is violence extended to a new sphere

"The reports are rife that others have been whipped; that Negroes are being harrassed, threatened and beaten.

"Such actions are cowardly, lawless, un-American.

"It also constitutes revolution, as it pushes aside the constituted government and sets up a new one—an invisible government, which is all the more pernicious and dangerous.

"It strikes down some of the most sacred of principles upon which the American government was founded and its constitution erected. It happens that at just this time, as set forth in the next column, there is a meeting in our city of a fine body of men (Lions Clubs of Georgia) who stand first of all for personal liberty and human rights.

"The men who are engaged in these beatings either do not know or do not care that it required their ancestors hundreds of years of struggle and dire sacrifice to obtain the recognition of the right of the individual to jury trial by his peers in a court regularly constituted by the people; that the battle for human rights was a long and bitter one; that individual freedom and liberty was gained only through intense suffering and great penalty; that the old star chamber trials in the Dark Ages were done away with only after long years of contest and opposition.

IS BREAKDOWN OF GOVERNMENT

"They do not understand that they themselves and their children will be the keenest sufferers if they succeed in doing away with court trials in favor of private trials, sentence and execution of punishment. They do not know what a danger and menace to American institutions they constitute, no matter how well-meaning they are in their actions, how sincere they be, how much righteous indignation they may feel against some person or persons whom they may think are not living up to the moral code, or some other rules of society.

"But in striking at those they regard as offenders, they are chipping away the very foundations of American society and letting down the bars for night riders and revolutionists of all kinds. For actions of violence, once really begun, can-

not be limited and controlled; they are contagious and spread like wild-fire, increasingly irresponsible.

"Plainly, those in authority should take action. The grand jury can get evidence in connection with the latest outrage against individual rights and liberty, and it should proceed vigorously to the end of formulating indictments. Its duty is to strike against the efforts to set up a private grand jury in the community, in the shadows. No matter how shadowy some individuals may get, society cannot afford to have its courts set up in the shadows.

"The citizen has a right to defend his home. Sooner or later, these night riders are going to run into a home that will defend itself, and it will be a blow struck in defense of American principle.

"It would be much better, however, if the grand jury and other constituted authorities would step in now and put an end to this lawlessness and cowardice."

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Georgia

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It has been made clear that the Federation of Labor not only has had nothing to do with these whippings but that it condemns such methods of adjudicating grievances, or of retaliation against any real or supposed mistreatment.

The mill at which this offense has twice occurred has invested \$4,000,000 in Hall county and it is entitled to the full protection of the law in the operation of its plant. If there are any just grievances, they should, and can, be adjusted in a legal manner.

In the meantime, the law enforcement officials of the county should institute a searching inquiry as to the identity of those guilty of these two offenses and bring the culprits to just punishment.

The Klan Rides Again in Atlanta

By MARY MACK



COLUMBUS, Ga., June 14 (Special)—Justice triumphed in the eyesight of innocent victims here when an organizer and two members of the local Knight of the Ku Klux Klan were bound over to city court at preliminary hearings that were the outgrowth of cross burnings, brandishing of pistols in a series of barbarous egges.

H. C. Moore, organizer, who came here recently from Atlanta and Sam Carr and Timothy Faulk, both members of the K.K.K., appearing before Recorder J. Arthur Lynch, were ordered held under bonds of \$250 each to city court on complaint of Will Frazier who alleged he had been threatened by about 100 hooded men on the night of May 23. He said he recognized the three defendants, who were unmasked, by the light of the cross that was being burned in front of his residence. Moore admitted he was present but denied talking to Frazier, as the latter testified, and said there was no disorder. Carr and Faulk denied being present or that they were members of the organization.

KLANSMEN PARADE

White Garbed Marchers Walk at East Point.

White-garbed members of the Ku Klux Klan, led by the bearer of a fiery cross, last night paraded through the residential and business sections of East Point, disbanding at the Klan hall, where the parade was entertained at a watermelon cutting.

Dr. E. R. Phillips addressed the Klansmen at the hall. Members of the Klan from other sections participated in the parade, which was led by the East Point Klan drum and bugle corps.

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The second whipping by a masked band of an official of a textile mill in Hall county is a challenge to the law enforcement officials of the county to take steps that will prevent the recurrence of such an offense against law and decency.

Whipping by masked bands is another type of lynching and, at best, is an unjustifiable and un-American way in which to secure redress for alleged wrongs.

The Constitution is not acquainted with the details of any grievances that may exist in the mill community involved in these whippings, but whatever they may be, whether

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I THINK of Communists that know in Atlanta, Negro workers, and white, native Southerners, who are pledged to the de-give of their hard-earned pennies, are frenzied yells from the crowd.

At Beecher Street we wait for traffic lights to change. Suddenly, I blink my eyes in wonder—am I dreaming? Ku Klux Klansmen, in white robes and white hoods that mask their faces, walk silently, two by two, across the road. No, I'm not dreaming. Though the white-clad figures seem like an apparition, the two policemen, re-plendent in their official uniforms, safely direct them across the road, free from traffic perils, prove the reality of my vision.

Solemnly, approximately 150 in number, like a scene from some weird, fantastic movie, they form a large circle in a nearby field. In the center of the circle two red lights glow on an auto which holds a loud speaker. In the surrounding woods, ghost-like, flashlights shine for an instant here and there. The leader, dressed in red satin, calls the numbers one-two-three-four, for formation, and in the darkness the klansmen shift their position, their white robes gleaming ominously.

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It needs only the beat of tom-toms to realistically throw the whole scene into some barbaric past.

"In 1932 the Klan called them back to bleed and die that Communism might be wiped out." Moore continues, "We believe in free speech, but not for Communists." In the darkness I take down his words in shorthand.

To show his courage when surrounded by his followers, the braggart sneered: "I know that there are dirty, sneaking Communists at this meeting, but I'm not afraid of you. I dare you to start something here. We'd show you a thing or two. My name is A. C. Moore from Columbus and I'm not afraid to show my face. . . . I warn you that the Klansmen are riding again, and better that you slit your throat from ear to ear or tie a rope around it and weigh it down and jump to the bottom of the ocean than to let the Klansmen catch you. . . ." (Page Solicitor Boykin! A clear case of advocating violence!)

While Moore grudgingly admits

"there is no unemployment in Russia," he tries to counterbalance this by the vicious slander that in Russia "your wife who has lived with you for ten or twenty-five years doesn't belong to you, but is the property of the state, and any man who wants her could have her."

"And another thing," Moore shouts, "the Communists preach absolute equality of race. . . . And they are making an impression. Niggers are picketing a white store! They are trying to force a white store to hire nigger help. If any of you would go into a store and buy merchandise from a nigger clerk, then may God have mercy on your dirty souls. . . . Do you believe that a nigger who winks your streets and cooks your food and shines your shoes is as good as you are? If you do, then join the Communist Party. And I warn you that the Klan is riding again!"

To add to the incongruity of the scene, as the Klansmen are dispersing, through the microphone the well modulated tones of a commercial advertiser announce that this loud speaker was lent through the courtesy of Johnson Company, a local firm, and asks the patronage of those present.

SLOWLY I go back to the car, steeped in thought. (Oh, my people! Will you take the vicious lies and slander of the Klan misleaders with docility, without question?) I

see the tremendous task before us. The Klan in their desperate attempt to the growing solidarity of all workers, Negro and white, is appealing to the basest prejudices of the unawakened. But I think of our Angelo Herndon, unbroken by their brutality. And I know that the ruling class oppressors are doomed. Here is a song in my heart. The resolution is reaffirmed:

To speed the day!

Escorted By Police, K K K Parade Through Negro Section

ATLANTA, Ga. — The eve of President Roosevelt's scheduled speech to colored Atlantans at the Atlanta University athletic bowl was marked by the appearance in the exclusive colored residential section of more than 1000 hooded members of the defunct Ku Klux Klan.

Honored by a police escort and stepping briskly to the martial airs of a bugle and drum corps, the hooded band marched over the route to be taken the next day by President Roosevelt.

Attempting to dope out the motive for the demonstration, local observers were of the belief that the Klan was expressing its disgust at the government's expenditure of money to better Negro housing conditions in Atlanta. Others said the parade was to intimidate a group of westsiders, who had been picketing a chain store, in which a Negro customer had been brutally beaten a week before.

The ranks were broken as the marchers neared Lee Street when a brick hurled from the concealing darkness, struck one of the Klansmen in the head.

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Liberty in Indiana

Several years ago, the Ku Klux Klan rode Indiana. In the columns of his anti-Klan weekly, George Dale, crusading publisher, criticized the official acts of a circuit judge. The judge cited Dale for contempt. The case was carried to the Indiana Supreme Court, which affirmed Dale's conviction, saying:

"The truth is no defense."

Indiana shook off the Klan. It changed its laws, giving to a defendant in a contempt case the right to be tried by some judge other than the one aggrieved.

A few days ago, another contempt case was decided by this same Indiana Supreme Court—the same court but a new set of judges. Don Nixon, a publisher since deceased, had been found guilty, by an impartial court, of contempt for criticizing a judge's appointment of a receiver.

Although holding that, in the appointment of the receiver, the judge had done "nothing that was not fair or proper," Indiana's high court reversed the conviction, saying:

"The right to fully criticize actions, opinions and judgments of courts is of primary importance to the public generally.

"It is not only good for the public but has a salutary effect on the courts and judges as well. Courts and judges are not and should not be above criticism."

Indiana has rejoined our union of free states.

THE KU KLUX KLAN AGAIN

The Ku Klux Klan, with its iniquitous program of race intolerance and hatred is raising its voice in Indiana once more.

This was revealed Saturday when members of the General Assembly assertedly received resolutions from the K.K.K. opposing the race discrimination measure of Representative J. Richardson, Jr., Democratic member of the House.

The bill was scheduled to be a special order in the legislature last Monday.

It increases civil penalties recoverable from owners of public business places found guilty of denying service to citizens on account of their color.

Of course, Negroes in Indiana are not at all surprised to know that the Klans are still busy trying to get some where with its propaganda of dissension and treacherous activities against common decency and orderly government.

Theirs is a notoriously dangerous movement and none knows it any other than the Klan itself.

The merest intelligent school boy knows, or should know, that a primary objective of this organization still is to seize the reins of the United States government, convert it into a governmental institution of official blasphemy, deceit, treachery and organized murder, aided, abetted and directed from Washington.

The Ku Klux Klan is bent on annihilating the American Negro; put him out of existence. We are convinced of that fact.

But the black men and women of this country are prepared to let hell freeze over rather than permit these monster promoters of damnable un-Democratic principles to rob them of their constitutional rights as Americans.

The quicker all the Klansmen in Indiana realize this, the better it will be for all concerned.

There is no reason why decent members of our group should any longer be denied the right to enjoy a measure of fair treatment by the business proprietors in Indianapolis and elsewhere throughout the nation.

The Richardson bill is a legitimate and timely one.

It is entitled to a fair and unbiased consideration on the part of the state legislature.

This, in spite of the defunct Ku Klux Klan and its offensive resolutions.

Our people are entitled to, and must obtain a square deal from the law makers and public institutions in Indiana.

Fortunately for Indiana, the voters are determined to see that the sinister influences of the Klan are kept out of this state.

That is very much so as it should be.

THE RESURRECTING KU KLUX KLAN

Now comes authentic information to the effect that the supposedly dead Ku Klux monster is very much alive.

The 100 per centers reportedly are formulating plans for a comeback as of the days of yore.

The nation must tolerate more of iniquitous activities on the part of this organization of enemies of justice, fair play and righteousness.

Another attempt, we are told, is to be made by members of this parasitical outfit to stage another nation-wide campaign against the Negro's inalienable right to participate in the political affairs of his country.

There will be more of disseminated propaganda seeking to deny our people of their outrageously limited but hard-earned measure of representation in our government.

It is natural to expect that another attempt will be made by the Klansmen to seize the reins of government at Washington.

They were bold enough to try this before; they are bold enough to try it again during the fanfare of the coming presidential election.

After ten years of enforced legarthy and apparent death, branches of the order are reportedly being reorganized everywhere.

The resurrecting K. K. K. platform calls for relief to unemployed, restoration of those who have drifted from the constitution and perpetuation of Americanism and combatting radicalism.

If ever there was a huge paradox this is one.

But when, may we ask, did this organization of traditional Negro haters, ever qualify to "combat radicalism?"

It never has and never will.

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New Jersey

KLAN IN DAWN SERVICE.

1,000 Gather Around Burning Cross in Watchung Hills.

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., April 21.—

A fiery cross burned from the Watchung Hills this morning at 6 o'clock as about 1,000 members of the Ku Klux Klan sang "The Old Rugged Cross" at the close of the Easter sunrise service.

The service was held on the grounds of the Owanassie Country Club, Somerset County headquarters of the Klan, about four miles from here.

Grand Dragon William I. Morgan of Long Branch, head of the New Jersey Klan, asked the public support in arousing America to the menace of communism. He said in part, "The Klan is a crusade that rises to the occasion to meet national issues and national problems. We are dealing with a people who know no God. The Klan, though a peace-loving organization, will destroy any group that tries to tear down the Constitution of the United States."

RECORD

HACKENSACK, N. J.

OCT 4 1935

DEMONSTRATION

In Hackensack has again been burned a flaming cross, said by some to be a warning to Communists, by others to be an attack on the constitutional privileges of certain Hackensack Negroes. Negroes and Communists are men and women just like Liberty Leaguers, just like Klansmen, just like anybody else. Discriminate against them, and you weaken the basic structure of democracy and pave the way to fascism as exemplified by Hitler and Mussolini.

To the American Liberty League, to Klansmen, to lynch mobs, to police, to local administrators it may be that the Negro, the jobless person, and the radical have no rights. But the personal rights of the American people as a whole are too intimately bound up with those of Negroes, radicals, Jews, and minorities of all kinds for the public at large to permit such demonstrations. Challenges of that sort should be answered

with one accord, for they constitute a common danger.

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New York.

CROSS BLAZES, NEGRO WARNED

Flaming Symbol Seen by Thousands Near Bronx Parkway

A fiery cross, reminiscent of the reconstruction days in the deep South when the Ku Klux Klan flourished, flashed a blazing message of ill-will and hate across the Bronx River Parkway at Crestwood Lake on Wednesday night.

A poorly lettered sign with the word "warning," spelled "waring," rested under the cross which told Negroes to "get out of Tuckahoe."

Thousands of motorists traveling on the parkway stopped to view the flaming symbol. Patrolman Albert Spencer of Tuckahoe police headquarters arrived on the scene and destroyed it.

The cross was twelve feet high, with a six-foot cross arm, and had been made with care, according to the police. The two heavy beams had been

FIERY CROSS WARNS NEGROES TO VACATE

No Racial Feeling Evident, Police Say Following the Inquiry in Tuckahoe

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spiked together and both were wrapped with rags that were soaked with oil and set afire.

According to Patrolman Spencer, he discovered the note of warning to Negroes at the bottom of the cross, partly covered by a small stone. He said he thought the note was purposely made crude to hide the identity of the writer.

Police records show that several years ago four or five crosses were discovered burning on the same field over a period of several months. At that time the police held boys responsible for the crosses except one about twenty feet high, which they said could not have been erected except by adults.

Acting Sergeant Nolan said an in-

vestigation had been made throughout Tuckahoe and that the Police Department noticed no racial feeling in the town. He further explained that, notwithstanding Tuckahoe had experienced an estimated increase in Negro population of 1,800 in a short time, the Negro population as a whole was a law-abiding group of citizens.

Some of the Negro population, when interviewed, expressed the opinion that there was an undercurrent of resentment against Negroes moving into neighborhoods that heretofore have been exclusively white.

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WHY NOT NEGRO KLUCKERS?

From the state capital comes report of the chartering by Raleigh negroes of Sadoe, Inc., a patriotic and fraternal order with what is considered a Ku Klux slant. Sadoe will seek "to destroy political inequality and spread righteousness among all people." By its own admission it stands for "equal rights to all."

Why not? It has been claimed from olden time by those who most disparage the efforts of Afro-Americans at self-betterment that they accomplish nothing save by imitation of the superior race. What better model of Christian chivalry than the Ku Klux, whose motto of "Non Sibi Sed Anthar" has been translated as "Not for Ourselves But Others"?

It is true that the Klan went sour hereabouts some years since and was disbanded, dissolved and mighty-nigh exorcised by Grand Dragon-Judge Henry Grady; but the memory lingers—a fragrance which should discourage comparisons with Sadoe, Inc. What boots it that destruction of political inequality is a vain thing so long as the election machinists are self-selective and reinforced by the absentee ballot? Equal rights to all may also be slightly chimeric, but it is hardly more so than an effort to fetch about an All-Nordic Millennium.

Certainly Sadoeists having been accustomed, according to tradition, to sleeping with their heads under the cover should be able to manage a hooded nightshirt better than any Knight of the Invisible Empire who ever strutted his stuff in the glare of a flaming torch.

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Flaming Klan Cross Creates Terror in Pa.

Weird Rituals Follow Mysterious Blasts in County of "Hexers."

SCENE NEAR SITE OF FARMER'S MURDER

12-28-35

Residents Fear More Violence in Wake.

(Special to the AFRO)

BUCK, Pa.—A series of terrifying blasts followed by the burning of two crosses from a hilltop here Monday night, threw this small rural community in Southern Lancaster County into a state of panic.

Tuesday morning, three eighteen-inch white K's glared on a highway near the spot where the Ku Klux Klan once long ago reared its ugly head and cast a spell of mute wonder over the community.

On Wednesday morning, the K's were red; on Wednesday night they were painted black.

Near the KKK sign, a long arrow pointed west. It was the general direction of the home of the late Charles Sides, and the farm of Enos Book, both white.

Sides was found fatally wounded in the woods after he dismissed a liquor-crazed farm hand, who later allegedly attacked a number of women before he was surrounded by a mob of farmers. He was saved from violence by the timely arrival of police. Sides said two men whom he ordered from his land, shot him.

Brother Dies Violently

A short time after the death of Sides, his brother, Frank Sides, of near Strasburg, Pa., was found dead in a grist mill. His body was badly mangled; apparently his clothes had become tangled about an upright shaft in the mill, which

appeared to authorities as the cause of his death.

Robert Williams of Winchester, Va., who started the chain of tragic events in this hitherto peaceful village, is now in jail, and how safe he is there, from the mysterious terror, is only a matter of conjecture.

The fact that news of the KKK ritual did not leak out of Buck until Thursday, four days later, is equally mysterious.

A false atmosphere of calm now covers a feeling of tenseness and residents say very little. Some are frankly terror-stricken; others simply will not talk. All feel that any insane happening may occur to break the strange tenseness, at any minute.

Hex Believers Numerous

Residents of this community are among the "hex" believers of Pennsylvania, and a "hex" mixed with KKK may produce anything, it is feared.

Is the Sides family, or what remains of it, marked by this stalking terror, for employing Williams? What Williams's background is remains unknown here.

What is the meaning of the K's changing color overnight? and is the arrow pointing towards the Sides home? are only a few of the many questions which puzzle many of the residents, who are wondering if or when the midnight terrorists will strike.

NEW KLAN ORGANIZATION IN TEXAS

AUSTIN, TEXAS - (CNA) The Knights of the Red Klan, a new terrorist organization is being set up here.

Crusader News Agency
Like the Ku Klux Klan, and other terrorist organizations in the South the purpose of the new organization is to terrorize the Negro people, to spread false theories of "race superiority", and to smash the struggles of united Negro and white labor.

KU KLUX KLAN HOLDS PARADE IN AMARILLO

AMARILLO, Texas, Sept. 3.—(AP) The Ku Klux Klan, born of the turbulent post-Civil War days, marched again here last night after the aged survivors of the Confederate army had ended their forty-fifth annual reunion. Carrying a flaming red cross, more than 25 unmasked, white-robed klansmen paraded in the first K. K. K. display here in more than a decade. A spokesman said the unannounced parade was part of an initiation and had no connection with the veterans' reunion.

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Death of Former Klan Leader Clears Mystery of Old Execution

DANVILLE, Va., Oct. 1. (AP)—A mystery dating back 65 years to the reconstruction era in the south was bared today by a deposition which Captain John G. Lea, of Danville, made in 1919 and locked in a vault not to be disturbed until after his death.

In a witnessed statement, Captain Lea, who died at South Boston last Sunday, revealed for the first time the names of the Ku Klux Klansmen who participated in the assassination of J. W. Stephens, a carpetbagger, in the Yanceyville (N. C.) courthouse in 1870.

Colonel J. T. Mitchell and Thomas Oliver, both now dead, were named by Captain Lea as the actual executioners of Stephens, whose death led to a declaration of martial law in Caswell county and indirectly to the impeachment of Governor W. W. Holden, of North Carolina.

The Caswell Klan, of which Colonel Lea was an organizer, condemned Stephens to die on an arson charge, according to the Lea statement, which was attested by the late Colonel Fred Olds. The man was called from a rally of negro republicans which was under way in the courthouse of ex-Sheriff Wiley, the deposition said.

As Stephens walked out of the door he was surrounded by a picked group of members of the Invisible Empire, who pushed him into a small room in the courthouse.

The noose was placed around Stephens' neck by Mitchell, who drew it tight while Oliver plunged a knife first in the carpetbagger's chest and then in his neck. Lea's statement asserted. The body was left in the room by the Klansmen, where it was discovered the next day.

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West Virginia.

Tar and Feathers For Drunken Pair

ELKINS, W. Va., Jan. 22.—(AP) —Masked men forced their way into the Elkins City jail early today, seized two prisoners—a man and a girl—and covered them with tar and feathers on the outskirts of town. 1-23-35

The couple, whose names were listed by police as ~~Pat~~ Rimo, 57, and Miss Sylvia Tugler, 19, were ordered to leave town but they were returned to jail later, apparently having suffered no ill effects.

They were serving terms on charges of drunkenness, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.